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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 and in response to the Office Action mailed September 2, 20053, the following amendments and remarks are submitted for your consideration. This response is timely because it is accompanied by a Petition for One-Month Extension of Time.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.